

**Amendments to the Specification**

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 1, line 23, to page 2, line 3 with the following rewritten paragraph:

With one prior art type of fuel cell system, when a water blockage occurs in a fuel cell, control is applied whereby the electrical load on the cell varies in a pulsating manner. As a result of these pulsations, water is ejected from the cell (for example as described in Japanese patent 2002-110211).~~-2002-11021~~).